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BIG SANDY NEWS.



## COLVIN FAVORS THE AMENDMENTS

State Superintendent of Public Instruction Gives Reasons for Changes Asked in School Laws

Kentucky is perilously close to the end of the line of states in the education of her children. She is only three places from the end of that long line. This bare statement of a very disagreeable fact should force every red-blooded man and woman in the state to resolve that a change must be made in the near future for the child-hood of the state.

The following statement, which was given your reporter when he visited Frankfort lately, is what the Hon. George Colvin, the present State Superintendent of Public Instruction, thinks of the school situation in Kentucky at this writing. Every man and

the people. In education Kentucky ranks forty-fifth among the states. Until recently the attendance in our public schools was 37 per cent. Our teachers are not only the most poorly paid but they are the most poorly prepared of any state in the Union with the possible exception of two. It is not because Kentucky children cannot be taught; it is not because Kentucky teachers lack capacity to learn or devotion to teach; it is simply because children and teachers alike have not been given a chance. No man who loves Kentucky, who loves Kentucky's childhood can be satisfied with Kentucky's condition educationally. Nothing has contributed to this condition more largely than lack of competent, conscientious, continued, educational leadership.

#### Parties Back Movement.

"Both political parties in Kentucky have proposed through a plank in their platforms to take the office of State Superintendent out of politics and to place it upon a professional basis and to make it possible for a Superintendent to succeed himself. The administration of our schools ought not to be a political issue. The rights of our children do not admit of any division of opinion. Democrats and Republicans alike believe that the Kentucky child should be given a school system worthy of that child. The two political parties do not differ in their attitude toward schools any more than they differ in their attitude toward the Ten Commandments. The adoption of the proposed Constitutional Amendment will unite the two parties in principle in their support of schools. The adoption of the amendment will give the Legislature the power to fix the term of the Superintendent; will give the Legislature the power to prescribe the manner of his election; will give the Legislature the power to place the office upon a professional rather than on a political basis. The State Superintendent is the only school administrator in Kentucky that is now politically elected. The President of the University is appointed by a competent board because of professional fitness alone. The Presidents of the two Normal Schools are appointed in the same way. The superintendents of our city schools are appointed by boards because of demonstrated fitness not because of political affiliation. County superintendents are appointed again in the same way.

#### Is Not a Political Issue.

"There is no opposition to the amendment anywhere. It has been unanimously endorsed by the Kentucky Educational Association. The Kentucky Educational Survey Commission insists that we cannot hope for any great improvement in our schools until this amendment has been adopted. The Federated Women's Clubs of Kentucky have endorsed it. Rotary Clubs and Boards of Trade and Chambers of Commerce throughout the state have endorsed it. Both political parties have endorsed it. The Legislature that proposed it did so by the votes of the members of both parties. It is not a political issue. It is not proposed in the interest of this party or that party; it is proposed solely in the interest of the Kentucky child. For the sake of the Kentucky child, the Kentucky voters should make the vote in favor of the amendment so overwhelming that no man could any longer be in doubt about Kentucky's determination to have a school system equal to any in the nation."



Geo. Colvin.

woman in Kentucky should read it most carefully and then act definitely when voting on the two amendments to the Constitution at the November election:

"Education in Kentucky in the past has suffered more from lack of a definite policy and a continued program than from any other single cause. Every four years administration of our schools is changed. Under the law no State Superintendent can succeed himself. Our school laws are a sort of legislative crazy quilt. Each succeeding Superintendent adds a patch or two that may or may not harmonize with the whole. No business can succeed if its policies are changed every four years. The administration of schools is the State's biggest business. In no department of government is a permanent program more necessary than in the administration of schools. Kentucky will not have better schools until she has better administration of her schools. Kentucky will not have better administration of her schools so long as she has politically elected Superintendents serving only four years.

#### System a Growth.

"A school system is a growth and not an enactment. It cannot be created overnight. It must conform to the genius of the people of the state. It must meet the needs of the people of the state. Kentucky cannot borrow from any state a school system that will entirely meet her needs. She must develop her own system. It will need Kentucky's best leadership to develop this system. This leadership cannot be had under the present method of selecting State Superintendents.

"Those who tell us that Kentucky has not suffered from politically elected Superintendents are either misinformed or are deliberately misleading."

### Resolutions of Respect

The following resolutions of respect were approved and adopted by the Board of Directors of the Louisville and Fort Gay Bridge company by reason of the death of "Dock" Frazier of Fort Gay, W. Va., who had for many years been a director of the company.

Resolved, That in the untimely death of Dock Frazier, the stockholders of this company have suffered a distinct loss because he always had the best interests of the company in mind and purpose. He ungrudgingly gave his thought and time to every project that was for the best interest of the company. It was rare indeed that he missed a meeting of the Board of Directors and in matters affecting the good of the bridge, he could always be counted on the right side.

He became a stock holder January 6, 1906, and this was before the bridge was opened for traffic, and therefore before any one knew whether or not it would be a paying investment. His chief motive was to encourage the erection of the bridge because it would help the community rather than hope for gain. He knew to cross the river at that time meant to walk down a muddy river bank and wait patiently for the ferryman to answer his call and bring over a boat that was usually wet and muddy; get in and be slowly rowed across the river and land at the foot of another muddy bank. For this he had to pay five cents. He looked far into the future and saw that a bridge spanning both rivers would increase and make easy the traffic between Kentucky and West Virginia and when the time came he voted to reduce the fare across to three cents. He was a quiet, good man, a good neighbor, a faithful friend. In his death the community at large, as well as his immediate family, has suffered a great loss.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the records of the company, and a copy thereof be sent to his family, and that the local papers be requested to publish same.

ROBERT DIXON  
M. S. BURNS  
Committee

**FOR SALE:**—Farm of 92 acres, back of Wurtland; lies well, part is good bottom land; two bearing orchards, coal and some timber; 6-room house, good outbuildings, cellar and three never-failing wells. Fruits, strawberries, raspberries. All under good fence. Cleared land almost all in grass. In Wurtland graded school district; one and one-half miles from pike and on good road. For further particulars apply to or address THOS. SNODDY, Wurtland, Ky. aug-5-21

### IN MEMORY

In sad but loving remembrance of our dear cousin, Mrs. Julia Moore, whose soul took its flight to the God who gave it, July 29, 1921.

Julia McKinister Moore was born February 23, 1905. She died at the age of 16 years, 5 months and 6 days.

Julia was converted at the age of 14 years and joined the Preswitt Baptist church and it can truly be said of Julia she lived up to her duty as a Christian.

On March 17, she became the wife of Hubert Moore of Ledocia. In the death of Julia the husband has lost a faithful wife, father and mother a kind daughter, sisters and brother a loving sister. But heaven has gained another angel. Julia's sickness was short, but her suffering great, only being confined to her room one week with that awful typhoid fever.

Her father being anxious to know how she felt about dying asked her if she thought she was alright. Her reply was, I know it. If I wasn't I would be praying. Then she said God's will must be done. Shortly after this she became too ill to talk on any subject, but was often seen to look up as though she was praising God.

Oh, what a thought to us. We know where to find Julia—in a land of Paradise where no scorching fever is ever found to take our loved ones from us, but all is peace and love.

What a comfort this should be to loved ones. Julia is not dead, only sleeping the sweet sleep which all sleep that die in Christ. Live faithful as Julia did. Some day soon or later you too must quit the walks of life as she did and why not say as she said, "God's will be done not ours." Funeral service was conducted by Rev. A. H. Miller and G. A. Thompson after which her form was laid in the silent city of the dead there to sleep the sweet sleep till the dead in Christ shall rise.

The golden gates were open, a gentle voice said come, and with farewells unspoken she calmly entered home.

Our Father doeth all things well, although our hearts with sorrow swell, He bids us trust and weep no more, for we shall see those gone before.

### Mr. Varney Better.

Friends of Harrison Varney, prominent citizen of Pike-co., will be pleased to learn that Mr. Varney, who for some time has been a victim of paralysis, has regained the use of his limbs to walk a short distance from his home near Montrose. Mr. Varney is 73 years old, and well and favorably known in Williamson. He is the father of Mrs. Mont Riley.—Williamson News

### Miss Mecca Pennington

Oh, how sad are the hours and how long the days since our dear sister left us. But we weep not as those who have no hope, for we have a sweet assurance that Mecca is resting in the arms of Jesus. We weep only because we miss her sweet presence so much. We miss the kind words and smiles she always had for every one.

Mecca had been in bad health for over two years and had been confined to her bed five weeks. She departed this life July 25, 1921, age 22 years, 15 months and 12 days. She had always been a patient sufferer and often before death claimed her she would say she wished that she could leave this world and shortly before she left she asked those around her to pray for God to take her then and told mother to pray for little brother to come to go with her.

Our home is lonely now for the sunshine of our home is gone, but we humbly submit to God's will, for we know if we live as she told us to we shall meet again, not here on earth in pain and sorrow, but up yonder where there is no death, where the hands of our darlings will not be cold and clammy in death, but all is happiness.

Mecca was always so glad when her friends came to see her and the last words she was heard to say were that the people had been so good to come and see her.

The consolation to us is the fact that we know our sister is at peace. Our dear sister whom we've loved so long and with whom we've spent so many happy hours is in the land where the weary are at rest. Her poor, warm frame will never more be rocked in pain, suffering is no more.

It will only be a little while till we'll cross over the dark river and join our sister among the hosts of loved ones gone before.

Call not back the dear departed. Anchored safe where storms are o'er, On the border land we left her, Soon to meet and part no more.

When we leave this world of changes When we leave this world of care; We shall find our missing loved one, In our Father's mansion fair.

She was laid to rest in the family burying ground on the point beside little brother who left us years ago. Services were conducted by Bro. Berry. HER SISTERS.

### FALLSBURG & FULLERS

The festival held at Fallsburg Saturday night was largely attended.

Miss Elizabeth Austin is very ill at this writing, suffering from an attack of appendicitis.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Elkins of Portsmouth, Ohio, are visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Thompson of Horseford.

J. M. Austin of Offutt was visiting his mother, Mrs. Rose Austin, Sunday.

Mrs. Dave Mullins spent last week with relatives in West Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Collinsworth spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Reininger.

Miss Annie Skeens of Kenova is visiting home folks this week.

Born, on the 7th, to Mr. and Mrs. Willie Maddy, a girl.

Miss Marie Webb spent Sunday with the Misses Austin.

Miss Marie Crank of Ashland is visiting friends and relatives at this place.

Miss Sue Thompson left Wednesday for Ashland where she will visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cooksey were visiting the latter's mother Sunday.

Miss Marie Crank spent Tuesday night with Miss Nellie Austin.

Mrs. Margaret Bowe was shopping in our town one day this week.

Miss Grace Walters has returned home.

Mrs. J. H. Thompson and daughter, Miss Clara, have returned from Portsmouth, Ohio, where they have been visiting Mrs. A. Elkins.

Okla Billups was calling on relatives in Huntington Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mrs. Marion Board of San Antonio, Tex., who spent the past month with her father, S. J. Hensley, left Monday for Panama where she will join her husband.

Harry Roberts was calling on friends at Fallsburg Saturday night.

Miss Fannie Austin of Fullers spent Saturday evening at Fallsburg.

Miss Madge Skeens was visiting home folks Sunday.

Miss Edith Alley of Louisa, was calling on Miss Ethel Spadlin this week.

Several of our boys attended the pie social at Huletts Branch Saturday night.

Miss Fanny Thompson and Mrs. A. Simpson were business callers at Fullers Wednesday.

Miss Lou Carter has returned from Ashland where she has been visiting relatives. LONELY.

### Advertisement for Bids For Street Paving

Sealed bids will be received at the office of the City Clerk of the City of Louisville, Ky., up to 1 o'clock p.m. August 13, 1921, for the furnishing of all labor and material required in the construction of the following pavements, with the necessary curb and gutters and storm sewers in accordance with the city ordinances, viz:

Project No. 1.—Pike street from Water street to Main Cross street.

Project No. 2.—Boon street from Madison street to Franklin street.

Project No. 3.—Pocahontas street from Madison street to Franklin street.

Project No. 4.—Pocahontas street from Franklin street to Powhatan street.

Project No. 5.—Pocahontas street from Powhatan street to the road leading to the City Pump House.

Project No. 6.—Lock Ave. from Pike street to Perry street.

Project No. 7.—Lock Ave. from Main street to Madison street.

Project No. 8.—Lock Ave. from Madison street to Franklin street.

Project No. 9.—Jefferson street from Powhatan street to Roberts' Feed Store.

Project No. 10.—Pike street from Lock Ave. to Jefferson street.

Project No. 11.—Pike street from Jefferson street to Lady Washington street.

Project No. 12.—The public way leading from the foot of Lock Ave. at what is known as the Branham property, for a distance of 600 feet in a westerly direction.

Project No. 13.—Adams street from the public way above mentioned to Stewart St. Stewart street from Adams street to Lock Avenue.

Project No. 14.—Main cross street from Pike street to Sullivan street.

Project No. 15.—Pocahontas street from the road leading to the City Pump House to the south line of city limit.

All bids will be publicly opened at a special meeting of the City Council on Saturday evening August 13, 1921, at the City Building.

Bids are to be submitted for each or any of the above projects separately.

Proposal blanks and detailed information concerning the conditions and manner of submitting bids can be obtained by applying to the City Clerk of Louisville, or A. C. Lincoln, City Engineer of Louisville. For a copy of the plans and specifications a deposit of \$10.00 is required. Each bidder must accompany his bid with a certified check for \$200.00.

The City Council reserves the right to reject any and all bids, and to award the contract as it deems best to the interest of the city of Louisville.

AUGUSTUS SNYDER, Mayor.

R. L. VINSON, City Clerk.

J. B. KINSTLER, Treasurer.

### CATLETTSBURG ITEMS.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Queen and family will occupy the handsome home on Louisa avenue, which is to be vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Salyer.

Mr. and Mrs. Salyer will soon move into their beautiful new home on Lock Avenue, which overlooks the Ohio river. This home is nearing completion and will be a most convenient and handsome home.

Mrs. Lou Conley and son of Paintsville are in Ashland visiting Mrs. Conley's son, Dr. Ed Conley.

### Throwing a Monkey Wrench Into the Machinery

Allowing eye-disorders to go without correction is much the same as throwing a monkey wrench into the machinery. Often serious damage is wrought to

### THE EYES

by such carelessness or neglect. An examination by our expert oculist, who is also a registered physician, will often reveal such disorders and make possible their correction before too late. Don't wait. See us at once.

### LAKE POLAN, M.D.

Huntington Optical Company  
324 9 St. Huntington

### LORRAINE'S GIFT TO YANK FIGHTERS



Every Yank doughboy who fought in the Lorraine sector in France will be proud to know that posterity will never be allowed to forget the gallant stand of American arms there and deliverance from German occupation. This month at Flirey with John G. Emery, national commander, and 250 members of the American Legion in attendance as the guest of France, President Millerand, Premier Briand, Marshall Foch and other high officials will unveil the memorial shown above in a fitting ceremony.

JOHN G. EMERY  
NATIONAL COMMANDER  
AMERICAN LEGION

### FORTY-FIFTH IN THE RACE AND NO WONDER

